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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 Twelfth Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: WC Docket Nos. 06-54 & 06-55
Notice of *Ex Parte* Presentation**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On March 15, 2006, Douglas Meredith and John Kuykendall of John Staurulakis, Inc. ("JSI") met with Jennifer Schneider and Jeremy Miller of the Wireline Competition Bureau on behalf of JSI's rural local exchange carrier ("LEC") clients. In the meeting, the JSI representatives notified the Bureau staff that JSI and other parties would be filing petitions seeking extensions of the comment cycle in the above proceedings. The representatives explained that the 21-day comment cycle that the Commission established was too short given the complex issues raised in the proceedings and urged the Commission to grant an additional 30 days for filing initial comments.

Please contact the undersigned with any questions.

Respectfully submitted,

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